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War "for the Sake of Mankind."

preme Court of the United States as is not permitted even to Congress by Presumably this delegate will guide the which taxes, &c., can be "laid and colother delegates.

in it is to do good.

is so admirable. The Constitution must | States we violate the Constitution. be known before it can be obeyed. In this is the only thing of consequence.

execute those "measures" which, after versary's supply of arms. Congress has considered them, Congress shall judge necessary and expedient, ecutive desired and which the House He shall also from time to time, says passed at first by an immense majority mous advantage to the people. the Constitution, give Congress infor- would have affirmed the act of war and ion of the state of the Union, and chall "recommend to their considera- tionally. In this the Senate refused tion" such measures as he shall judge to unite. The joint resolution there know that within its present limits there order. He will never omit to give this terior caution. It upholds the Execu- churches, inns and taverns that were notoriously confers on him? information. 'He will never omit to tive's act in respect of the purposes built before 1800? The most celebrated "recommend" to their consideration a therein specified. It justifies no other of these interesting relics everybody is measure which he thinks necessary and purposes. If the act should be shown supposed to be familiar with, but we the last campaign without regard to expedient for them to order. Above all hereafter to have been done with other think that the Bank of the Manhattan things, he will never take a measure purposes, the resolution will not have Company has put all who are not antiwhich they do not order

this great lawyer, this expert in the resolution could justify them. Three- somely illustrated pamphlet the thirty supreme law of the land, in order that fourths of the States must join in an buildings that were standing at the in the mediation we may ask for noth- amendment which would be retro- date of its own incorporation in ing, and indeed may wish for nothing, active. But if the act was an act of 1799. that does not grow out of that law and war, it was a declaration of war and is not to the purpose of it, or that does was unconstitutional per se, because tered over the now great area of New not conform to it at every step which only Congress can declare war. The York, but in addition to St. Paul's Justice as having some particular de- were in fact limited to securing repa. trict within hall from the Battery that than a desire to obey the Constitution purpose is shown to have been be- and that are not generally known to and to shape his opinion into strict conformity with the supreme law.

serve mankind," or "to serve the Mexcans if we can," or to secure the bless- cannot be sheltered by the legitimated Eastern Hotel, at the corner of Whiteings of liberty to Mexican citizens; or purpose, so as to purify a tainted act. even to provide through warfare some government expected to protect the in his breast pocket a copy of the suproperty of American citizens, who preme law of the land he undoubtedly BARNUM and JENNY LIND used to stop; have been already directed to save their carries its golden text both in his and No. 41 Cherry street, the old brick lives through abandoning their prop- heart and in his head. erty, so that we may have the field clear for benevolent operations-if a war indeed should follow upon some unconstitutional advice given, and upon some unconstitutional act done with ever yet has been seen upon this continent will be sure to burst later upon some of us. It will burst when taxes come to soar by billions, and when from covert or have died of disease in about. Mexico, or died here if they have been got home. When the storm bursts, a good intent and purpose, if they were not an intent and purpose in strict ac wrdance with the Constitution, will count for nothing. But no one will suffer who has obeyed the supreme law in

Never in our history has so staggering a load been thrown upon a Justice real Yellow Peril for Russia. In course Hell Gate, where ARCHIBALD GRACIE of the Supreme Court singly; never of time, as China acquires a modern entertained Louis Philippe, the exile, indeed upon the shoulders of all the army and navy to support her preten- and played host to Washington Irving, Justices together. If the supreme law sions as a world Power, the peril will who called the great ship owner "an is followed all will be well, because all take on a more sinister aspect—Russia old gentleman with the soul of a will be lawful. If it is not followed always thinks in terms of military prince." So well preserved is the everything will be ill, because every- force. As yet the industrial Yellow Gracie mansion that its age—it was thing will be lawless. A good intent | Peril is not overshadowing, but the fact | built before 1800—seems like a decepwill not serve any of us. It never does that it is being discussed in the press tion. serve the lawless. If in the mediation we indicates that there may soon be a reask anything beyond the limits of our sort to legislation to check it. Constitution, or even if we only threaten, There seems to be something unreal Washington used as his headquarters

be lawless.

had been told in childhood of the doings of CHARLES the Twelfth and of the Fourteenth Louis, by which Sweden and France had been well nigh ruined. universal lusts, the lust of religious 40 propaganda and the lust of political 2 50 propaganda. They framed a Constitupose of achieving the "welfare" of other nations. In this way our Constitution is a sort of Tenth Commandment, Most of the other nine in their literal sense forbid certain outward offences merely. THE EVENING SUN, Per Year 2 50 The Tenth strikes inward and forbids THE EVENING SUN (Foreign), Per Mo. 1 03 even a bankering after the forbidden. This can be doubted by no sane person Readers of THE SUN leaving town for the who, casting aside all wishes in the matter, reads the Preamble to the Constitution, the first paragraph of Sec-Addresses changed tion 8 of the First Article, together with all the Tenth Article, desiring to obey them as a loyal citizen.

No more can it be doubted that without breaking through the Constitution, the welfare of our people, and even that of the Mexican people, might Fundamental daily, including Sunday, by the Sun Printing and Publishing Association at at times be subserved by diplomatic educational. Those handling paints, dyes, 170 Nassau street, in the Borough of Man. The diplomatic influence of the oils, varnishes, pigments, toxic metals, &c. United States might lawfully be brought to bear in favor of the fittest person to rule in Mexico. That fittest person will be as observant as was Diaz of the Mexican constitution, that is, of the way the Mexican is constituted. Paper constitutions are trash in

The requirements of the Constitution are definite when it comes to a question of force and of forces. The employment of these is war. By the tenth paragraph of Section 8, Article I., war can be declared by Congress only. To declare war in order to secure the blessings of liberty to any people He can hardly be a true American but the people of the United States, one of our delegates for mediation, the Constitution. The purposes for lected" are specified in the first para-The first thing in this world is to graph of Section 8 of that article and keep from doing wrong. The next thing in no other place. They can only be "laid and collected" "for the common It would be good indeed to get the defence and general welfare of the Mexicans to obey their written consti- United States." It makes no differtution. It would be better to bring ence whether or not "we want to serve ourselves to obey our own. This is why the Mexicans." If we venture to serve 200,000 condensed cards of instructions be regarded as favoring the criminal the appointment of Mr. Justice LAMAR them with the forces of the United

To seize a custom house in order to all courts each Judge is to know the collect a just indebtedness might be an venient type to be carried in the pocket. law. The law which the Justices of act of peace even if accomplished with This will be distributed in the tenethe Supreme Court will chiefly know bloodshed. To selze a custom house is the supreme law of the land, the in order to cut off armaments consigned Constitution, and, best of all men, they to a foreign Government and intended will know it. In cases like this, fraught to protect that Government against its ance companies have kindly agreed to with the fate of many thousands of enemies is an act of war upon that help distribute the circulars during the men and with the destination of hun- Government, and is a war confederation dreds of millions of dollars now safe with its enemies, even if it is not acin enterprises or in pocket or in the companied with bloodshed. No declarabank, the mere wishes of any of us. or tion of war need be made in writing. of all of us, are not of the slightest Every one knows that an act of war consequence. The law of the matter, is a perfect declaration. In warfare the first principle of strategy and in-The function of the Executive is to deed of tactics is to intercept the ad-

The joint resolution which the Exthus unheld the Pres of the Constitution, and the resolution If a war should follow in order "to aims in nowise to condone it.

An unlawful purpose evidenced later

The Yellow Peril in Russia.

Petersburg demands exclusion of the next old building on Manhattan Island Chinese from Russia by laws similar to that appears on the list. It is not one those in force in the United States, of the famous relics, like the Jumel Hitherto the Chinese have swarmed into mansion, and now it has the back-Russia without let or hindrance. In ground of a gas tank. The Jeremiah energy and thrift the moujiks, and for Towle house was built before 1795 that matter the men of the city, are no and may be found near the end of women are weeping whose husbands match for them. This the Russian au- the Queensboro Bridge at Sixty-first and sons and lovers have been shot thorities are beginning to be concerned street. If it was originally the stable

Manchuria shall be virtually annexed and in 1830 the residence of JEREMIAH terprise-but whether the industrious Schermerhorn farmhouse (1747), at the Chinese shall overrun Siberia and in foot of East Sixty-fourth street and considerable numbers invade Russia in near Jones's woods. A little further Europe. The population of China is on, at East River Park and Eightysia's, so that economically there is a old mansion overlooking the waters of

likes to acknowledge.

A Beneficent League.

Recent bulletins of the Department of Health promise success in the hitherto but too unequal battle against disease and death.

We learn that the physicians composing the Committee on Public Health of the New York Academy of Medicine have commended the new Commissioner on his enlightened and progressive action in the control of diseases arising from social, vocational and industrial conditions. They advise as follows:

"Administrative control should make compulsory the employment of suitable preventive measures such as the use of respirators by those exposed to dust and the introduction of adequate ventilation systems in all factories where the work men are exposed to noxious fumes.

"Other corrective measures must be must be taught the necessity of personal cleanliness, of the need of washing of hands and bodies, especially of the parts stained and exposed to these substances.

"The public should be taught the dangers of inadequate protection of the body ing against sudden temperature changes. Especially should the public be taught the the canyons of the skyscraper district. injurious effects of overeating, particularly the dangers of excessive nitrogenous foods [meats and eggs], it should be taught the evils arising from immoderate use of all forms of stimulants, including alcohol, teas and coffee.

"An active campaign on the part of the Department of Health directed especially toward instruction of the public in matters of personal hygiene by means of and vascular diseases."

These physicians are prompted by altruistic motives which operate directly against their material interests, prives them of the largest source of their incomes. The Health Department, to get rid of it. Every one seems to be following this advice, proposes to issue afraid to fight for repeal lest he should as to how disease may be avoided, which are to be printed in four languages on a cardboard folder of conments by nurses, sanitary policemen and by mail to charitable and nursing associations. "Two large life insursummer before the usual seasonal diseases appear."

This beneficent league, consisting on the one hand of altruistic men prompted by humane motives, and on the other hand of business men prompted by prospective saving of premium payments, utilizes the Department of Health, which guards the interests of both.

The results cannot fail to be of enor-

Old Houses in Greater New York

How many people living in New York served to justify the act. If those pur- quaries under an obligation by assem-The President will have chosen out poses should be unconstitutional no bling in a tastefully printed and hand-

These precious relics are widely scatsire or some particular opinion, other ration for an insult. The instant the date back to the eighteenth century. yond that limit the act is a violation be survivals. They are No. 7 State street, built in the last years of the century, and now the home of the Mission of Our Lady of the Rosary: the hall and South streets, built before John Latham house, which has stood since 1786.

One has to travel several miles north The influential Novoe Vremya of St of the Latham house before finding the to PETER VAN SANT'S manor, house The question is no longer whether it afterward became a popular tavern, -the war with Japan halted that en- Towle. Only three blocks away is the more than twice as great as Rus- eighth street, one comes upon the fine

and Edgecombe avenue (1765), which get beyond its own silent threat against in Russia, whose people multiply so for several weeks in 1776, the Van Cort-

any that shall desecrate the flag woven rapidly, protesting against incursions of landt mansion in Kingsbridge and the in the skin of every American, we shall the pacific Chinese, but looking ahead Ferris House in Westchester village, statesmen know that in the competitive where Mrs. Ferris cooked unwillingly The requirements of the Constitution struggle with the West the Chinese will for Lord Howe, are conspicuous landare simple. It forbids the collection of one day be militant, and perhaps that marks; none of them look their age, taxes for the defence or welfare of day is not very remote. The German although they do look their historical other than our own people. The Fathers Emperor sounded the alarm several distinction. The Dyckman House (1783) years ago, and the fact that between at 204th street and Broadway, al-Siberia and China a vague boundary ways a humble domicile, has a far runs, in some districts a trackless wil- greater aspect of venerableness; but it derness, makes the danger to Russia is to the confines of modern New York They knew the outcome of those two more imminent than her Government that one has to go for the very oldest remains: the Schenck-Crooke house (1656), on Mill Island, near Bergen Beach; the Bergen homestead (1656), on East Seventy-second street, Bergen Beach; the Bowne house (1661), that makes you feel charitable; but it's Flushing; the Moore house (1661), different with the larger varieties, and this worm was four inches long and had the appetite of a small child. near Canarsie Lane, and the Jan Ditmars house (before 1700), at Flatlands. Most of these old dwellings are delightfully picturesque with their a beauty it would make, what are delightfully picturesque with their slanting, overhanging roofs, but to-day to destroy it as if it were a viper. the grounds about them have a primness difficult to associate with the time when they were outposts in the wilder-

Staten Island, still dark to most Manhattanese, contributes some rare specimens to the list: the Billop house (1695), at Tottenville, full of historical memories; the Perine homestead (1713), at Dongan Hills; the Kreuzer Pelton house (1722), at "The Cove," West Brighton; and the Christopher house (1776), at Willow Brook. A pilgrimage to the ancient houses, some Company in hand, would liberally reand the need of providing suitable cloth- pay any one who has reverence in his soul. The start should be made from

A young man walks up to a police man, says he is afraid he'll kill himself and hands over a revolver. Instantly he faces a charge of felony with a prospect of a five year sentence to State prison. And this is not in a Gilbert and Sullivan opera; it is an incident of the day before yesterday in New York. It may happen to-day or to-morrow to opposition in every right minded person? Yet, like many another vicious enactment, having once been put on the because the prevention of disease de- statute book in a moment of hysteria, without reflection or calculation of use of arms.

> The young man who was burned to death trying to save his invalid mother in a Brooklyn tenement house did not in vain and his end was one that any hero of the tented field may envy. The radical man and the futurist woman may storm at the fabric of soclety all they will. So long as the elemental principles of duty, love, courage, fidelity even to a cruel death hold sway the world cannot be pushed off the upward path and humanity cannot be estranged from the ideals which social instinct and the religious sense have developed through the ages.

The women election officials ably represented their sex at the Oregon registration, but the women voters were lam-entably absent. Perhaps if the ladies were paid for voting as well as for running the polls they might be induced to come out and demonstrate their enthusiasm for sex equality.

Labor unions ask President to Colorado mines .- Headline

In virtue of the imperial powers necessary and expedient for them to upon passed was worded with much in- are at least thirty dwelling houses, which the United States Constitution ily.

> pecuniary reasons. It's a pity the beneficiaries should give them any reason to take a more mercenary attitude in the next contest.

On the whole the Colorado Legislature has come pretty well through the special session called to deal with problems growing out of the mine strike. The wilder element has done its best to start trouble, but in the long run every attempt to penalize the enforcement of law and order has been emphatically is involved, or which may become in- resolution might avail to justify the Chapel and Fraunces's Tavern there are voted down, and finally the appropriavolved. He will not have chosen this act if the purposes of the Executive three buildings in the old Dutch distion of \$1,000,000 has been made to pay the militia whose service was rendered necessary by the riotous conduct of the strikers. However, the resolution which has passed the Senate asking President Wilson to keep the Federal troops in the State until the strike is settled is a sign of weakness of which the State should be ashamed. It is the duty of Colorado to uphold her own laws and maintain order. . It is a cowardly evasion to call on the Federal Government If Mr. Justice Lamas does not carry 1790, where Robert Fulton and Daniel to do this except in a moment of crisis. WEBSTER, Commodore VANDERBILT, P. T. Instead of displaying the futility involved in such a petition the Legislature should endeavor to inspire Governor Ammons with courage and resolution and should give him the fullest means of controlling the situation with the resources of the State.

Devitalizing Dinner Company

To THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: note the letter of your correspondent who finds that his better nature asserts itself after he has been diverted by some humor-ous reading before his evening meal. The reading stimulates his appetite, and after his dinner or supper he feels well all the

On this score, may I ask whether I am ossessed of an idiosyncrasy in not caring to entertain company at an evening meal? It seems to me that vitality se It seems to me that vitality seems low at an hour when one has had a more or less strenuous business day, and the thought of entertaining and thus using energy of brain not needed in the comforts of one's own family environment, to such degree of exertion, is a practice militating against one's health.

militating against one's health. NEW YORK, May 15.

To the Editor of the Sun—Sir: I got a letter from a friend in the country yesterday saying that they were cleaning up the yard, and how I did wish that I could be there to help 'em. I could see them raking up the dried leaves and twigs and see on the ground the marks of the rake's teeth as they combed it clean. And then when they burn this raked up stuff, on a warm, hasy, still day, when there's no wind stirring, when the smoke rises lazily and odor not acrid but pungent, Really, at times like this I think I mus move back into the country, where I can have a yard to clean in the spring. NEW YORK, May 16. ONCE REBAL.

SI'S WIFE. True Story of a Woman, a Butterfly

and a Wicked Cat. To THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: Fo the past few days my thoughts have turned to gardening; and in reviewing the experiences of last year I vividiy recall a simple incident that shows how a man may lose his temper over small things that to an outsider may appear ridiculous. It also throws a beam of light upon

name of Mme. Teresa Carreno, who cele-brated the fiftieth anniversary of her first appearance on the concert stage last year. This event was honored by ovations all over Europe at her "jubilee recitals," great musicians vying with the public in according her honors. Here the event has been passed over in silence. One day last May I noticed a large, prosperous looking green worin feeding on the tender leaves of one of my cabbage plants. Although I believe in that broad philosophy that bids us live and let live, I cannot deny that I was distinctly approved.

broad philosophy that bids us live and let live, I cannot deny that I was distinctly annoyed.

There is something about little worms that makes you feel charitable; but it's different with the larger varieties, and this worm was four inches long and had the appetite of a small child.

It destroy it as if it were a viper.

I carried it into the house and found a glass covered case in which, years before, I had kept a nondescript collection of birds eggs. In this case I piaced a number of cabbage leaves, on one of which reposed the motionless captive. I then ascended to the attic, where I arranged things as that the precises were ranged things so that the precious worm would get the benefit of the warm sun on clear mornings.

About a week afterward I noticed that

my prize had attached itself to one of the sides of the case by means of hazy the sides of the case by means of has, filaments that partially concealed its form. Gradually these filaments developed into a grayish white web and soon the captive was completely enveloped in hims. huge, compact cocoon

Weeks passed, during which I examof them dating back almost to the pali-sade on Wall street, 1653, with the brochure of the Pank of the Manhattan in the centre of the case was one of the most beautiful butterflies I have ever seen, with wings of deep brown and black and gold, each spotted with little circles that shone like rings of dull fire.

In a thoughtless moment I called my wife to view the prize. In a thoughtless m wife to view the prize. "What are you going to do with it?"

Hamlet when he makes one of the characters in 'The Conquest of Granada' say: she asked "Why, keep it, of course," I replied. "Why, keep it, of course, I replied. Had I not, in a measure, been responsible for its birth? "I think it's a shame, she answered, "to keep a delicate thing like that confined in an old box in the attic when it ought to be flying around in the sunlight, enjoying its brief span in the sunlight, enjoying its brief span. "Men of this type, and they are usually teachers, writers, bookmen, men of sedentary life, cannot do because they see so many possible ways of doing." in the sunlight, enjoying its brief s of life. You know," she added repros-fully, "butterflies live only three days. that is not gladdened by the President's or "to serve mankind [in Mexico] if having appointed a Justice of the Suhaving appointed a Justice of the Suis not permitted even to Congress by

tracts, pamphlets and lectures would nave any one who is even temporarily of a definite influence in securing a diminudent influence in secu ing itself to an absurdity and stimu-lating a rankling spirit of hatred and opposition in every right minded person? certain to have warts, and it was only after I had handled with impunity a dozen or more of these reptiles in her re was an error somewhere. I haw saw an opportunity to deal a He said it would empower the Federal

death blow to another superstition.
"Who told you that stuff?" I asked
quietly. "What stuff?" she exclaimed. quietly. "What stuff?" she exclaimed, in mild surprise. "Why, that fairy story about how long butterfles live; who told traffic and desire no laws against the you that nonsense?" "Nobody told me," she replied; "it's common knowledge, menace to the happiness and prosperity menace to the happiness and prosperity of the nation. Under this amendment no "Certainly I do,"

Said firmly; "it House in which he said: it?" I persisted, determined loophole for escape, "Cert said she; "don't you?" "Now see here," I said firmly; "it House in which he said:
doesn't do' any good to argue with you,
it's a waste of time; but I'll tell you
what I'll do. If that butterfly isn't alive
bat blind and grass green until he reaches

and well three days from to-day I'll buy you a new dress; but if it is alive, mind you, you are to confess publicly that you've been gulled again by simple fools you've been guiled again by simple fools who don't know any more about butterflies than they do about animal life on the
planet Mars. Do you agree to that?"
She said she did; and mighty willing
she seemed to be about it, too. I have
often had occasion to remark the stubborn faith of people who are steeped in
old beliefs and superstitions. I at once gathered a quantity of flowers, weeds and grasses, carried them up to the attic and scattered them about the floor, furniture and window casings. The butterfly, which had been released from the case, roamed at large about the room, flitting from place to place with a charming vivacity that seemed to indicate a robust state of health. Thus things continued until the morning of the third day.

On that morning when I went up to on that morning when I went up to the room I discovered that Thomas, our old gray cat, had preceded me. As I entered he departed swiftly and stealth-ily. My butterfly lay upon the floor crushed and broken. As I picked up the remains and laid them on the table, my wife entered the room. For a moment she stood in mild surprise, silent and circumspect; but I could see no look of sympathy on her face, not a trace of it. It's remarkable how cold and pitiless a woman can be without half trying. When you tell me and other citizens why so late her self-interest is at stake she can be as cruel as the grave. It was so now with my wife. Not a single thought did she give to the beautiful broken thing

There must be no semblance of shutting she can be an hour as 4:30 o'clock P. M. is named

he give to the beautiful broken thing hat a moment before had been pulsating off debate on the part of the committee, for this more than important and costly still she said—and I hat to be called.

There must be no semblance of shutting off debate on the part of the committee, for this more than important and costly matter must be open to full debate. that a moment before had been pulsating with life, not a single thought. she said-and I hate to be 'Si" under such circumstances, "I've ided upon a dark brown satin messa night session or adjourn to another date? This is not advisable. I made up my mind day before yesterday: I've always wanted a messaline I think brown becomes me better than any other color, don't you, dear?"

I steeled myself against this insidious, untimely term of affection, and referred briefly to the impending dissolution of But her next remark was too much

But her next remark was too much.
"You ought to have known," she said
condescendingly, "that butterfiles live
only three days; it's a scientific fact, and
this proves it." Up to that moment I
had kept my temper, but this was the
last straw. I exploded in a wild diatribe
on all things feminine, especially feminine logic and intuition. And I'll bet nine men out of ten would have done the SIMON CREEL ALBANY, May 16.

The Professional and Political Value of Trained Voice. From the Medicol Record

Lawyers, clergymen and doctors all fail to secure the influence with the people with whom they come in contact because of in-ability to express their thoughts in an im-pressive way. Had the voice been trained the same as the eye and the intellect, had the exterior qualities been trained to express like the voice the best and the clearest facts they would all have been successes. A noted revivalist who screamed and yelled his thoughts in the most vociferous way, disgusting some and frightening others, wondered why he did not make a more prohis plan thus to inspect and beautify his
staff it is obvious that the patrons of the
staff it is obvious that the patrons of the
in translation?"

More acqually crossed the River Nile dered why he did not make a more pro-found impression. The real fault was his gormandizing habits and his discordant bronchial and nasal tones. The melodious voice of Henry Clay always charmed his audience everywhere. Wherever he went people flocked to hear him, while the heavy bass tones of Daniel Webster failed to attract, and actually drove people away. They preferred to read what he had to say, wanted personally to hear Clay's pleasing

Catclew and Cactus.

From the Galveston News Catelaw and cactus are thick in the pasture, that sun blistered section of rocks and

dry grass;
The fat little prairie dogs sit by their burrows and rasp out shrill warnings as we gallop past.
Up in the blue sky the buzzards are soaring: a startled jackrabbit, with fear in his breast. scattered widely—the fauna and flora that mark the great West.

Hurrah for the feel of a battered stock sad-dle—the siapping of brush against weather worn chaps; mell of a wet, horse—the sound of his hoofbeats—the jingle of spurs and the

hoofbeats—the jingle of spurs and the creaking of straps! cities seem nothing but dens of cor-ruption, for here steady breezes blow sweet without rest. give me a horse and some square miles of pasture, and leave me at peace far out here in the West.

REMINDER OF MME. CARRENO.

Admirer Rates New York Recitals as Notable Events.

concert season," made omission of the name of Mme. Teresa Carreno, who cele-

the list of "important features of the sea-son" is going a step too far. Not that anything the critics can say will affect

THE INEFFICIENT SCHOLAR.

Power of Action Paralyzed by Exces

of Reflection and Emotion.

Shakespeare has created, Hamlet is

only scholar, and at the same time the

only character, that brings about the final tragedy by inaction. Did the great

dramatist mean nothing by this combina-tion of scholarship and inefficiency? Did he not mean to say that there was an

education that did not educate, a culture that ministered to the reflective and

flaccid and impotent, rendered action impossible? Dryden

wrought

NEW YORK, May 15

I scarcely understand my own fatent.

that ministered to the reflective and emotional faculties, but, leaving the will

But, silkworm like, so long within have

The Intellectual Titan of Texarkana.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: Sen

constitutional amendment to prohibit the

erages were adopted it would in no way interfere with the rights of the States

Government to enforce prohibition "in concurrence and only in concurrence with

bat blind and grass green until he reaches the age of 10.

Mr. Sheppard says in his autobiography that he was born May 28, 1875. He has

given his own explanation of his remarkable double barrelled and contr

To the Editor of The Sun-Sir: By what right does Secretary Josephus

were left in the lurch at Tampico were reputable business men; they were in Mexico for legitimate purposes and en-

room for some one who can.

K. M. ELISH.

The Court House Hearing.

tration.

The Niceties of the National Game

tional game to attend games at the Polo

Grounds to learn that the holder of the concession for the privilege of selling pea-

nuts, cigars, beverages, chewing gum and

various other luxuries which are necessary

concomitants to baseball games has in-stalled a barber chair beneath the grand

stand, and every day before they will be

ders will have to submit to a careful scru-

ance of some of the peanut and beverage

Many times have I heard folks at the

grounds remark that they thought the trenchant blade would do good service on

the beards of some of the venders. Appar

change his mind we shall not see any more beards at the Polo Grounds except well

trimmed beards. Each vender's face will be as smooth as silk, the stubble having

ently if the concession holder doe

There came three travellers to an inn. And they were Joy and Grief and Sin.

They sat them down about the board.

And meat was brought and wine was por

And there from peer of dawn est they

For Death had closed that hostel door

To all that knocked in peace or strife-

Until the purple shut of day.

The portal to the Inn of Life

disappeared.

NEW YORK, May 16.

tiny to satisfy their manager that their as

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A MUSICIAN.

ADAM THE ORIGINAL GRAPE JUICE VICTIM TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: An article in THE SUN of Sunday, May 3, the purpose of which was, as stated, "to enumerate the important features of the

Garden of Eden Story Receives a Decided Jolt From Sir William Willcocks.

AND HE HAS BEEN THERE!

Dam Builder of Egypt Knocks Blowholes in Other Tales of the Bible.

both here and in Europe than any other living person, can New York afford not to give its tribute to her? The entire omission of her name from Modern explanations of remarkable events of Biblical times, beginning with the departure from the Garden of Eden of Adam and Eve, and covering the period up to the passage of the River Jordan, the real fame of this great artist, but to those of us who love justice their inex-plicable attitude cannot fall to bring inwere given yesterday in a lecture before the National Training School of the Young Women's Christian Association at 135 East Fifty-second street by Sir Will iam Willcocks, K. C. M. G., the noted English engineer who is designer and builder of the Assuan dam and projector of the irrigation system of Mesopotamia. He has spent the great part of an active night I read the following, and its singu- life in Egypt and Mesopotamia and has lar appropriateness to an existing con-dition struck me:
"Out of 246 men and women that

Sir William told his hearers, many of whom were Bible students, that Adam and Eve left the Garden of Eden not as a result of eating apples but because Eve hit on a plan for making wine out of the bounteous grape supply in the Gar-den and causing Adam to become a den and causing Adam to become a drinking man. He declared that if the commonly accepted idea of the Garden of Eden were true Adam and Eve would

never have left it.

The flood, which has made Noah's repu-The flood, which has made Noah's reputation as the first skipper, had been duplicated often in the Mississippi Valley. Sir William said. Furthermore, the ark never rested on top of Mount Ararat. The flood story and many other Biblical tales which Sir William thinks are far from the truth have resulted from mistakes by the translators in twinter the same of the sam takes by the translators in trying to de-cipher languages that had long been dead when the first books of the Bible were written. Sir William believes that the translators were entirely honest in their intentions, but because of their mistakes the world has been grossly deceived.

Eve Discovers Wine Recipe.

In planning the irrigation system of Mesopotamia Sir William discovered the exact location of the Garden of Eden at the junction of the Tigris and Euphrates, and he illustrated his lecture with many pictures from the supposed site. At concurrence and only in concurrence with the States," and then added that "those States which have no laws against the time the two original settlers went there Sir William said, nothing grew in Garden except date palms, vines and alfalfa.

They subsisted on dates and everything went along happily until Eve found how to make wine out of the grapes, and then she wasn't satisfied until she had Adam drinking it. He grew dissatisfied widates as soon as he became addicted drink, and it is Sir William's idea find something to eat besides dates

Taking up the flood episode. Sir William said that if the inundation had been so extensive as to leave the ark stranded on top of Mount Ararat the forty days rain would have had to yield a precipitation of 5,000 inches a day, which is quite a shower. As a matter of fact the ancient word Ararat really meant "desart" in the shower. As a matter of fact the ancient word Ararat really meant "desert" in the language of the flood times, and what happened was that the rivers overflowed and inundated the valley in which Adam lived. lived. All the settlers for many miles around hurried over to Noah's to take refuge in his ark and when the floods receded the ark remained in the valley. what right does Secretary Josephus paniels deny the protection of the American navy to American citizens engaged in business in Mexico? The Americans who business in Mexico? The Americans who had covered the entire world, and they had covered the entire world. future inundations. The Tower of Bab mexico for legitimate purposes and entitled to the fullest protection from our ships. It is none of the Secretary's concern what their errand was, so long as it was peaceable. It was his business to protect them; that is still his duty toward such of our citizens who are still in the danger zone on the seacoast. If he can't protect them he ought to resign and make "confusion of tongues" was the result.
This led the tower builders to believe that God had sent a confusion of tongues be-cause he was angry over the penetration of the towers into heaven.

"This is one of the childish stories that have come down to us, because it has pleased God in His wisdom to preserve it for us," said Sir William.

Joseph Exposed as a Prophet.

One of the inundations of the Nile ir William said, turned a great depression in the desert into a lake. ancient Egyptians built an enormous dike from the lake to the Nile, which made the entire country fertile, but the dike became the cause of constant strife be-tween the kings of Upper and Lower Does the committee expect to hold a

Joseph, who had been imprisoned by one of the Pharaohs of Lower Egypt, was more intelligent than his captors and realized that eventually a fleet from the The Manhattan Philosopher on Calciupper Nile would come down and cut the dike. The water would all flow into the great depression and a long famine would result. Joseph figured that the not know whether to "kick" or not to "kick." Well, if the Americans in 1776 had not "kicked," this country would still Upper kings couldn't get their fleets read for the successful attack for seven years, and upon his urgent advice his cap-tors began storing up grain against the be a British colony. A dead man never "kicks." A good "kicker" is a blessing tors began storing up grain against the ablessing E. H. J.

His words were prophetic, and when the dike was captured and cut and the famine came the people of Lower Egypt wers ready for it. Joseph was then raised to an exalted position, and he later retook the dike and held it for forty TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: In all

Sir William said that one of the great mistakes of the ancient historians w Israel across the Red Sea. If Moses had gone to the Red Sea in the time he is credited with taking he would have had to lead his flock, in which were many children, across forty-four miles of desc in twenty-four hours.
"Those people who still insist that the

Israelites crossed the Red Sea adn that if they did so the Red Sea m have come up about thirty-one midurther than it does to-day," said speaker. "Why should it be made pearance will be in keeping with the high class of people they will be called upon to

grand stands at the Polo Grounds will no longer be pained with the unkempt appear. Moses actually crossed the River Nil Sir William said, and the way he his followers across on dry land w to build a dike. When the Israelites he crossed Moses cut the dike, and the Egyst venders who firmly pressed their wares

ian army following them was drowned. While restoring an old branch of the Nile I did very much what Moses did matter of constructing a dike, Sir William.

SELIGMAN GIFT DEDICATED.

Children in Park Is Presented. A drinking fountain for children, provided by the late Alfred Lincoln Seligman, was dedicated yesterday in Morningside Park, opposite 114th street. Mr. Seligman was greatly interested in child

Memorial Drinking Fountain

welfare and was vice-president of the National Highways Protective Society. Frederic R. Coudert, president of the society, presented the fountain to the vesterday, and Frederick Brown, secretary to Park Commissioner Ward, accepted the The fountain is a handsome affair, rep

When forth they fared, were seen no more. resenting a bear standing on a rock and looking wistfully at a fawn retreating into a cave. There are a number of bubblers from which children may drink.